

Summation of 2017 Annual Flying Star Cures

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Over the years, I have come across various websites that offer 'secret' cures that are relevant to a specific year. Or websites that offer a different cure each year. Many of these websites of course make money selling product. And need their customers to keep coming back to buy more.

However, the truth is, cures used do not have to be fancy or expensive to be effective. In fact, one master (not selling products on his websites) recommends a blue piece of paper for Water to 'drain' the negative effects of Metal 7, and a red paper for Fire to 'burn up' the negative effects of Wood 3. He also suggests that you do not use the area of the house with Earth Star 5. Of course in old China, when feng shui was used primarily by the aristocracy and homes were quite large, it was easy enough to move the bedrooms to a different sector of the house.

Many of us in the 21st century do not have this luxury. So the hope is that by nullifying negative influences, that we can then continue to use the area with an unfortunate influence without suffering adversity by applying the appropriate harmonizers. Perhaps that year may not be as great as another, but at least it is not a disaster, as might otherwise be anticipated.

Of course a blue or red piece of paper can simply be tacked to a wall, or taped to the back of a piece of furniture, or even stuck on a nail with a picture or mirror hung in front of it, so the piece of paper is not even seen, while still exposed to the air flow of the room (that is, do not put in a draw or cupboard). Though blue or red paper may be sufficient, I have always preferred to reinforce the Annual Cures I use with imagery. For example, to control the Metal 7, instead of just a blue piece of paper, I place a **Blue Rhinoceros** in the sector each year where #7 flies to. Something about this unique looking animal figurine that appeals to my sense of aesthetic. Also, it is easy to move from compass direction to compass direction each year.

Although in my Annual Cures newsletter, I list a variety of choices, all you need is one for each sector, which can then be cleansed at the end of one year and moved to the relevant new sector the following year. If you do not already own a selection of items to be used each year, and need help deciding which ones to purchase, let me suggest the following:

Water 1 in the Center: As Water 1 is not an Element of misfortune, nothing needs to be done. However, placing an enhancement will enable you to 'tap' into this favorable energy to bring benefits into all areas of life. As Metal makes Water, I use a **Gold Arowana** (an ancient species of fish known for its longevity, paternal care, and, like the koi, a symbol of prosperity). I also hang **10-Coins on a Red Cord**, again, for the metal which gives birth to Water, the circle shapes which represent the Metal Element, the overlapping coins which have a wavy outline, and the number 10 which reduces to the number 1 for K'an, the Water Trigram.

Earth 2 in NW: Though the cures recommended for Earth 2 are the same as Earth 5, I have preferred a traditional **6-Coins on a Red Cord** and a **Brass Wu Lou (Gourd)**, as the Wu Lou has always been considered a protection against illness.

Wood 3 in West: Though a red paper or keeping a bright light on is sufficient, I have always preferred a **Red Laughing Ho-tai Buddha**, a cylindrical **Red Candle**, and a red elephant figurine with its trunk raised upward.

Wood 4 in NE: As Water feeds Wood, a 4 **Lucky Bamboo** plants in a bowl of clean water is excellent. As I have a child who is a student, I put a **Calligraphy Set** in the appropriate compass direction in his room. For my son who is looking for Career Luck, I put a **Brass Abacus** in the appropriate compass direction in his. For the compass direction of the whole house, I put a figurine of the **Dragon and Phoenix** for relationship harmony. This image can also be used to attract a harmonious relationship for those who are currently single.

Earth 5 in South: Though the most basic remedy is to use a wind chime or a pendulum clock with a metal pendulum (moving metal), I like to use two. As hanging a wind chime does not fit my decor, I prefer the **Salt Water Cure** as a more industrial strength remedy, and one that I toss in the trash at the end of the year (vase, 6 coins and whatever salt remains). I also like to use the **5-Element Pagoda**, which I have filled with earth taken from around my home.

Metal 6 in North: Another beneficial number which brings good fortune to the compass direction of the house that it visits each year, and one that requires no remedy. To enjoy additional good fortune from Metal 6, it is suggested to use a **Metal Dragon** figurine, a **Gold Tortoise with a Coin in its Mouth**, or my favorite, a **Non-metallic Gold Buddha**.

Metal 7 in SW: Though a blue paper is sufficient, As mentioned above, I have always preferred a **Blue Rhino** and a **30mm Blue Lead-glass Crystal Sphere**, which I either hang, or just put on a table in the area visited by the Metal 7.

Earth 8 in East: Earth 8 is also referred to as Lucky Money 8 and, like all numbers, is activated by activity. This means just walking through the compass direction of the house being visited by Earth 8 brings good fortune. Understandably, there will be much activity if your front door is in the South sector of your home. Nevertheless, rather than wait until someone walks through this area, or whichever area the #8 is flying through, usually a water feature (**Table Top Fountain** or **Aquarium**) is suggested. However, if either of these are items you do not want to take care of, other moving objects such as a CD player or oscillating fan can be used instead. You can further enhance this area with a vase of fresh flowers, opening windows to keep fresh air circulating, and one of my favorites, the **Cinnabar Egg**, as the Fire Element feeds the Earth Element, and the intricately carved egg symbolizes abundance in the present and prosperity in the future.

Fire 9 in SE: As Fire 9 is usually a fortunate area of the home, it can be energized with fresh flowers or anything associated with either the number 9 like a **9-Fish Scroll** or items representing the Element of Fire. In my home, I activate this fortunate influence by placing **9 Amethyst Crystals** along with a **Coral Gem Tree**.

Front Door: Those years when Earth 2, Wood 3, Earth 5, or Metal 7 are in the compass direction of my front door, I also put a **Bagua Mirror with an antique Chinese coin tapped to the back** outside the house above the front door. At the end of the year, I toss this **Ba-gua Mirror**, along with the **Salt Water Cure** used for the Annual Earth 5, into the trash.

Grand Duke (Tai Sui) in 2017 is in the West between **262.5° to 277.5°**: The Grand Duke is the Year Ruler, and this year is in the Rooster direction. The usual recommendation, besides Do Not face the 15° subsector where the Grand Duke resides, is to place a **Pi Yao** in the opposite compass direction – this year placed in the East of the home or room, and facing Tai Sui in the West. Some people will place a pair of **Pi Yao** and others, any fierce looking animal. You can also carry a **Pi Yao** charm.

Three Killings (San Sha) in 2017 in the East with White Star 8: To protect against the misfortunes traditionally associated with the Three Killings, which represent misfortunes of accidents, illness, and financial loss, the suggestion is to place **Three Guardian** figurines. These can be three **Qi-Lin**, or one each of the trinity of the **Fu Dog**, **Pi Yao** and a **Qi-Lin**. These go in the sector where the Three Killings are found each year, and they face in that direction. My Three Guardians are placed on a small oval teak stand. Placing plants in this direction is also beneficial.

Year Breaker (Sui Po): This is the Animal Sign in the opposite compass direction from the Animal Sign of the year, as these two Animals are said to Clash. In 2017, the year animal sign is the Rooster located in West 2; so the Year Breaker is in the Rabbit direction, which is East 2 situated between **82.5° to 97.5°**.

Do Not Disturb: Whether Grand Duke, the Three Killings, Year Breaker, Black Earth 2, or Yellow Earth 5, it is best **NOT** to do construction on areas of the house in any of these directions, and avoid digging in the garden. If the area that construction or digging needs to be done includes any of these directions, begin the project in an auspicious direction and work your way into the area considered inauspicious. Or put up a curtain, folding screen, or hang a wind chime between the house and the area of construction or excavating. Best of all is to postpone disturbing any of these areas until the following year. In 2018, areas to avoid disturbing are: Yellow Earth 5 will be in the North, Grand Duke will be in the Dog direction NW1 (292.5° to 307.5°), the Year Breaker opposite in SE1 (112.5° to 127.5), and the Three Killings which sits in all 45° of the Rat direction in the North.

Recycle Yearly Cures: Each year, gather all remedies and enhancements together on serving trays in January, a few weeks before the end of the year. Wipe them down with a damp cloth, place them all in a sunny area outside, and sprinkle with sea salt. At the end of the day, shake or wipe the salt off, and bring the trays back into the house. Prior to the beginning of the Solar New Year (February 3 or 4), energize each item by holding them in both hands before placing them in their new locations. If you prefer, you can energize with the **Three Secret Reinforcements**, or any other method you are most comfortable with. Salt Water Cures (vase, 6 coins and remaining salt) and the Bagua Mirror, if used for Annual Cures, get tossed in the trash.

May you have a happy, harmonious, healthy, and wealthy year ahead.

Gong Xi Fa Cai – Modern Chinese Pin Yin

Kong Hai Fat Choy – Wiles-Gilles Cantonese

Best to you as always, *Elliot*

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